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Vegetative Management/Hazard Tree Training Session

Forest Supervisors, Mount Hood and Gifford Pinchot NF's

On April 25 and 26, Gregory M. Filip, Plant Pathologist; Roger Sandquist, Entomologist; Jim Olsen, Developed Sites Specialist; and Jim Pollack, Landscape Architect from the Regional Office, Portland, conducted a Vegetative Management/Hazard Tree Workshop. They were assisted by Russ Plager from the Gifford Pinchot Supervisor's Office. About 20 people from both the Gifford Pinchot and Mount Hood National Forests attended the Workshop.

On the first day, the session was held indoors in Stevenson, Washington, where lectures, slides, and slide-tape programs were presented. Topics concerning vegetative management planning, recognizing and treating hazard trees, and preventing injuries to residual trees when logging were covered. On the second day, the session was held at Paradise Campground on the Wind River Ranger District. Several types of tree failure indicators were observed and discussed during a "walk-through" of the campground. After this, session participants were divided into two teams to develop vegetative management plans for two biological units in the campground.

We especially would like to thank Russ Plager for his effort in organizing this type of session which was a critical need for the Gifford Pinchot and Mount Hood NF's with their heavy recreation use. The Forest Pest Management and Recreation staffs of the Regional Office can conduct similar sessions at the request of other Forests.

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